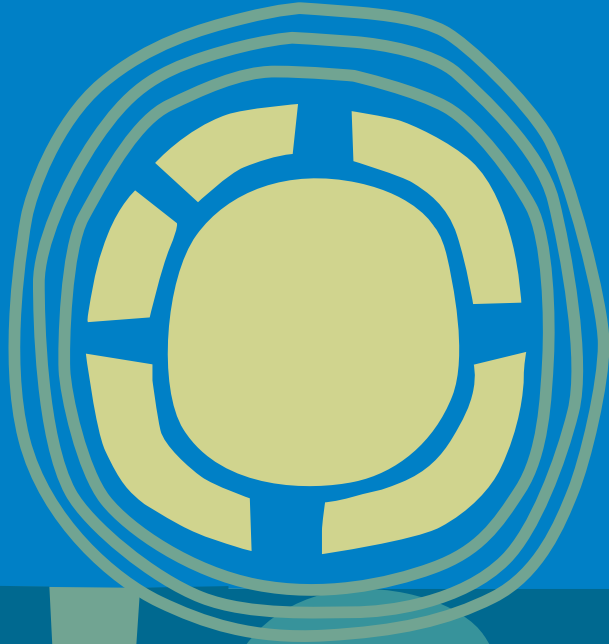


EPIPHANY

Third Sunday in Epiphany
Sunday, January 22, 2023



**TODAY'S OFFERING OF WORSHIP
THIS THIRD SUNDAY IN EPIPHANY**

We gather together...

PRELUDE: *Andante in D Major*

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather as people, living in an enlightened age, **with technological advances that were unimaginable even at the beginning of this century.**

Yet we live in an age where more people are experiencing slavery and other humiliating forms of servitude than ever.

Where has our great learning led us?

It has led us to war, to distrust, to the pillaging of God's creation, and the inequitable distribution of the earth's resources.

Yet God offers us the wisdom of love for one another, and just stewardship of creation, expressions of God's redeeming love.

So let us worship the only God worthy of our praise, **inspired by God's truth and enlightened by God's wisdom and Spirit.**

***INVOCATION HYMN** #285: *Come Down, O Love Divine*

***LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

...to hear God's Word...

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 9:1-4 (*Old Testament page 638*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

PSALM

HYMNAL: #794 Psalm 27

SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 1:10-18 (*New Testament page 166*)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people. **Amen.**

***GOSPEL LESSON**

Matthew 4:12-23 (*New Testament page 3*)

The Gospel of our Lord, God's living Word. **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM: *Come, Follow Me*

Joel Ramey

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***HYMN #524:** *Thy Word*

SERMON: *Rev. Todd Johnson*

...and to respond with our lives...

***HYMN #447:** *Stand By Me*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERINGS TO GOD

Announcements

Offering

*Doxology:

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

...in the places we now go.

***HYMN** #366: *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior*

***BENEDICTION**

CHORAL POSTLUDE: *The Lord is My Light*

Brad Nix

Join us after the service for coffee and conversation, in the Narthex.

Welcome!



TODAY'S FLOWERS

The flowers this morning are given by **Cinda Madonna** in celebration of her son **Jamie's** 50th birthday — and in celebration of all the family birthdays in January and February. *Happy birthday to all!*

GREETERS: Jim and Annita Presti

READERS: Ron and Judy Hedstrom

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Lauren Pattie

USHER: Mary Hjelm

COFFEE SERVERS: George and Judy Brinkmann

ACOLYTES: Jonah and Catelyn

LIVESTREAM: Axel Nelson

